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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Canceled)
5. (Canceled)
6. (Previously Presented): A method for rolling or winding a strip of wedge-shaped cross section having one edge region that is thicker than another edge region, comprising the steps of:
 contacting the strip with a partitioning device so as to absorb transverse stresses in the strip proximate a measuring roller due to asymmetric introduction of tension and distortions in the strip;
 measuring a tension in a portion of the strip between rolls, winders, or control, guide or deflecting rollers with said measuring roller, wherein said measurement is made while the partitioning device contacts the portion of the strip; and
 deriving, from the measured tension, values for controlling and regulating the strip planeness.
7. (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 6, wherein the partitioning device comprises at least one roller, that is adjustable, but is held fixed during operation.

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8. (Previously Presented): A device for rolling or winding a strip of wedge-shaped cross section having one edge region that is thicker than another edge region, comprising:
a measuring roller for measuring a tension in a portion of the strip between rolls, winders, or control, guide or deflecting rollers, while a partitioning device contacts a portion of the strip;
wherein said partitioning device is adapted to absorb transverse stresses in the strip proximate the measuring roller due to asymmetric introduction of tension and distortions in the strip; and
said measuring roller derives values for controlling and regulating strip planeness based upon the measured tension.
9. (Previously Presented): The device of claim 8 wherein the partitioning device comprises at least one roller, that is adjustable, but is held fixed during operation.